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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Technical Surveillance
Countermeasures Subcommittee
Chairman, Audio Countermeasures
Working Group - Technical
Surveillance Countermeasures
Subcommittee
Members of the R&D Subcommittee
Executive Secretary, Compartmented
Information Subcommittee
Executive Secretary, Computer
Security Subcommittee

SUBJECT : National Technical Threat Estimates 1976-1981

1. Attached for your retention and use is the report, National Technical Threat Estimates 1976-1981. This report is intended to provide a concise technical estimate as to technically practical audio and video surveillance devices. The technical characteristics described are expected to be representative of the majority (90 percent) of the devices that may be encountered. Estimates are made for devices based on present technology. Projections of likely technical developments over the next five years are included. It is hoped that these estimates will be of value both to those responsible for the management of the security program and to the technical specialists who conduct security inspections and surveys.

2. Other on-going studies will relate these technical threats to specific intelligence service capabilities insofar as they are

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known. Additional copies of this report are available upon request through each member agency's representative on the Research and Development Subcommittee or from the Executive Secretary, Research and Development Subcommittee.



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Chairman
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